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**Centro Conference Room, 24th Floor, East Building**

### MARCH

**Meet the Author**

**Puerto Rican Identity and Racial Politics**


**Author:** Sonia S. Lee

**Commentator:** Ariel Arana

**Thursday, March 5, 6 - 8 pm**

**Glass Café, West Building, 3rd Floor**

**Forum**

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**Tuesday, March 24, 6 - 8 pm**

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### APRIL

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**Puerto Rican Genealogy: History, Approaches, and Centro’s Archives**

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**Presenters:** Dr. Jorge Camuñas, Yasmin Tirado-Chiodini

**Moderator:** Alberto Hernández

**Wednesday, April 22, 6 - 8 pm**

**Silberman School of Social Work, 2180 Third Avenue Centro Library, Room 121**

### MAY

**Conference**

**Forging the Future of NYC’s Puerto Ricans and Dominicans... The Dialogue Continues**

Conference focuses on timely issues affecting the Puerto Rican and Dominican Community in NYC such as the economy, labor disparities and unemployment; demographics and urban space; education; immigration and migration; issues of identity.

**Coordinators:** Ramona Hernández, Carlos Vargas-Ramos and Edwin Meléndez

**Speakers:** To Be Announced

**Friday, May 1, 9:00am - 5:15pm**

**Silberman School of Social Work**

**2180 Third Avenue, Auditorium**

**Videoconference**

**Puerto Ricans in Cyberspace**

A look at Puerto Ricans in social media, its use to create social communities, as well as Puerto Rican identity and social consciousness.

**Presenters:** Cristy Marreno, Editor in Chief Siempre Mujer

**Julio Ricardo Varela, Digital Media Director, Futuro Media Group / Founder, LatinoRebels.com**

**George Torres, Co-founder of La SoPA / Founder of Sofrito for your Soul**

**Tuesday, May 12, 12 - 2 pm**

**Exhibition / Panel and Reception**

**HOMAR: A Tribute to an Artist of the Puerto Rican Diaspora**

Exhibition launching the new gallery space at Centro Library. The exhibition celebrates the artistic legacy of Lorenzo Homar, and the influences of New York on his life. Featuring selected works from Centro’s collection.

**Curator:** Pedro Juan Hernández

**Panelists:** Araceli Díaz Quiñones, Antonio Martorell

**Thursday, May 14**

**Panel: 6:00 - 7:15 pm; Room 214**

**Reception & Exhibition: 7:15 - 9:00 PM; Centro Library, Room 121**

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